

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
March 2, 2005
Town Hall - Meeting Hall

SELECTMEN PRESENT: Peter Charter, Dennis Frawley, Mark Leighton, Dennis Milanovich, A. Leo Miller, Nancy Way

SELECTMAN ABSENT: Michael Stupinski

OTHERS PRESENT: Finance Officer: N. DiCorleto; Emergency Management Director: D. Davis, Public Works Director: P. Michaud; Resident State Trooper's Office: Sgt. W. Konieczny; Fire Marshal: A. Lawrence; Conservation Commission Chair: Shawn Costello; Budget Advisory Committee: A. Ugolik, J. Snyder, JI Reporter: M. Simpson

1. Call to Order:

First Selectman Dennis Milanovich called the meeting of the Board of Selectmen (BOS) to order at 7:36 p.m.

2. Citizens' Forum: None.

3. 2005-2006 Budget

Bill Konieczny, Al Lawrence, Don Davis and Peter Michaud came forward to explain their budget requests.

Mr. Miller suggested allocating money for open space using a portion of the real estate conveyance tax.

MOVED (MILLER), SECONDED (FRAWLEY) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, BY THOSE PRESENT, TO ALLOCATE \$140,000 TO THE OPEN SPACE PROGRAM IN THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET, FY 2005-2006, TO BE FUNDED BY A CALCULATION BASED ON THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE CURRENT \$3.75 REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX RATE AND THE HISTORIC \$1.10 REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX RATE.

MOVED (FRAWLEY), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, BY THOSE PRESENT, TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF FINANCE THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN APPROVED TOWN BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005-2006 A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$11,265,586. **(ATTACHED)**

4. Land Use Fees

Mr. Milanovich referenced correspondence received from the Town Planner and the Town Attorney regarding changes to the land use fees. Mr. Milanovich suggested that the BOS establish an ordinance to set the land use fees. He referenced Mr. Stupinski email dated March 2, 2005 suggesting that the fees be increased but that the amounts not be specified in the ordinance. The language in the ordinance could be crafted to describe applicability and a method of calculations allowing the BOS to visit the fee schedule on an annual basis.

Mr. Charter suggesting asking the Land Use Commission for their recommendations on the fee amounts and if the increase should be done through an ordinance or their regulations.

Mr. Leighton stated that it was incumbent upon the BOS to look into increasing the fees and suggested the BOS Ordinance Committee meet with the Town Planner and the PZC Chair.

5. Crystal Lake Fire Truck Lease Agreement Resolution

MOVED (FRAWLEY), SECONDED (CHARTER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, BY THOSE PRESENT, TO ADOPT THE **ATTACHED** RESOLUTION, AS PRESENTED, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A MASTER LEASE AGREEMENT, EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE NO. 01 AND RELATED INSTRUMENTS, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THE PURCHASE OF THE 4 GUYS FIRE PUMPER/TANKER WITH SPARTAN CHASSIS FOR THE CRYSTAL LAKE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

6. Telecommunication Tower Proposal – Pinnacle Road

Mr. Milanovich explained that Cingular Wireless has requested formal endorsement by the BOS for the proposed cell tower before moving into the next stage.

MOVED (FRAWLEY), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, BY THOSE PRESENT, TO SCHEDULE A TOWN MEETING ON MARCH 14, 2005 AT 7:15 P.M. TO DISCUSS AND VOTE UPON ENTERING INTO AN OPTION AND GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT TO LEASE A PORTION OF THE PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN LOCATED BETWEEN CRYSTAL LAKE ROAD AND PINNACLE ROAD TO SOUTHWESTERN BELL MOBILE SYSTEMS, LLC FOR THE PURPOSE OF ERECTING A CELLULAR TOWER ON SAID PROPERTY. THE OPTION PERIOD WILL BE FOR SIX MONTHS WITH AN OPTION PAYMENT OF \$2,000. THE INITIAL LEASE TERM IS FOR FIVE YEARS AT AN ANNUAL PAYMENT OF \$24,000 WITH THE RIGHT TO RENEW FOR FOUR ADDITIONAL FIVE YEAR TERMS WITH COST OF LIVING INCREASES IN THE RENT. AND FURTHER MOVE THAT THE PROPOSED LEASE BE REFERRED TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR A REPORT PURSUANT TO CONNECTICUT GENERAL STATUTE SECTION 8-24.

Mr. Costello stated that this property was deeded to the Town with the intention that the Town would maintain it as open space. He suggested that the revenue received from the lease be used for open space acquisition.

7. Adjournment:

MOVED (FRAWLEY), SECONDED (MILLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY, TO
ADJOURN THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN AT 10:30 P.M.

Submitted by _____ Approved by _____